

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Ward Dawson

AND/OR COMMON

Ward Dawson

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

11905 Long Green Pike

CITY, TOWN

Glen Arm

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Eleventh

STATE

Marylan

COUNTY

Baltimore

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☐ BUILDING(S)☒ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Ward Dawson

Telephone #: 529-6409

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Long Green Pike

CITY, TOWN

Glen Arm

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland 21057**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Towson Court House

Liber #: 2108 3882

Folio #: 122

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Towson

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Ward Dawson House is located on Long Green Pike in Glen Arm, Maryland. The west elevation runs parallel to Long Green Pike. Many Structural changes have taken place since the time when the Ward Dawson house was an inn and tavern. Presently, the front west facade of the house is of a four bay construction. The first bay has a doorway and the second through fourth bays have symmetrical 9/9 windows. There is a shed roof above the second, third and fourth bays. On the second story there are four windows aligned with the first story fenestration. The first bay on the second story has casement windows that swing out. The second third and fourth bays are double hung sash 9/6 lit windows all symmetrical. An interior chimney is located above the first and second bays on the roof.

The south facade has three bays symmetrically set apart, windows with 9/9 lights are on the first story. The second story has three bays aligned above the first story fenestration; bays one and two have identical 6/6 lights and the third bay has been changed to a 6/6 window from what once was a doorway leading to a balcony or terrace that no longer exists.

The east facade has a one story ell that is enclosed by jalousie windows on all three elevations. The second story has three bays; each having 6/6 lights, they are symmetrically placed. On the north facade there is a door placed at the northeast corner and two 6/6 lights on the first story. The second story has two windows symmetrically set apart with 6/6 lights. The exterior has been recently resided with aluminum.

✓ The interior of the Ward Dawson reveals its architectural significance with its massive (9 inch) wooden beams that make up the walls and ceilings in the original section of the house.

**CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY**

There are two major additions to the Ward Dawson house. One addition is at the north side of the house, its is 18 feet in depth and nearly 40 feet in width, in keeping with original fenestration size. The second addition is an enclosed porch of glass. It is 7 feet deep and nearly 40 feet wide. The interior walls of both these additions are made of the original wall, log and plaster construction.

As one enters the house from the front west facade one enters the hallway that leads immediately to the living room. The original floor plan can be seen in the layout of the house that is included.

The original floor plan consists of two room parlor plan, with a partition wall separating the second, south, room and creates a third room by meeting it perpendicularly on the east side. These walls are of the original plan.

The first room one enters is the living room, or addition, it has a fireplace that dominates the north wall, a 6/6 double sash window which sits 4 feet to the east on the north wall, another window on the east wall is a 6/6 double sash overhang. As you turn the corner there is a simple dog-latter staircase leading to the second story. If you continue strait, the original portion of the house begins. An exit doorway on the east facade and a 6/6 lit window rest. On the opposite wall there is only a partition wall. An opening in this partition wall is at the south corner of the room. Once passing through this entranceway you enter the kitchen, which happens to be two steps lower (sunk in) then the rest of the house on the first floor. The kitchen has a large hearth on the west wall and two windows on the south wall, each with 9/9 windows.

✓ The other addition to the Ward Dawson is the enclosed glass porch on the south side of the house, it is only 8 feet in depth.

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1825-1830

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The significance of the Ward Dawson house is two fold. It has an architectural and a historical significance. This log house is the remains of an inn and tavern that served Baltimore County from 1840 to about 1870. The original beam in the wall and ceilings still support this structure. The balloon framing can be seen in the attic of the house, each of the posts used were numbered and still remain in the roof construction.

There is a historic landmark only 100 yards from the house, it is a marker that says 13 miles to Baltimore. This was placed at this site since the house was once a tavern and inn and customers could have a landmark for travel. This marker can still be seen from the road, it is eight feet off of the road.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY approx. 1.26

UTM: 18/371265/436750

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Cynthia A. Aiello

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

May 1981

STREET & NUMBER

45 Oxford Road

TELEPHONE

516-536-7847

CITY OR TOWN

Rockville Centre

STATE

New York

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

CHAIN OF TITLE

BA-2108  
11905 Long Green Pike  
Glen Arm, Maryland

WJR 3892/122  
3/13/1972  
Deed

From Francis D. Reir and Barbara C. Reier to  
Ward E. Dawson, Jr. and Joan B. Dawson

wpc 2263/547  
9/8/1961  
Deed

From William H. Reier, widower, to  
Francis D. Reier and Barbara C. Reier

WPC 547/12  
10/11/21  
Deed

From George A. Reier to W.H. Reier

WPC 542/7  
6/2/1921  
Deed

From W.H. Reier to F.J. Hooper Co. (a corporation  
of Milton J. Dance and Leta F. Dance)

WPC 533/42  
10/2/1920  
Deed

From Milton J. Dance and Leta F. Dance to  
William S. Pearce

WPC 432/386  
4/15/1850  
Deed

From William S. Pearce to James L. Billingsler

Glen Arm 1 July 81

BA-2108

Dear Mark,

Wollon writes "I found the Goucher reports quite interesting and I note a wide difference in quality." I list a few of his and Haile's comments, which you may attach to the reports or not, as you see fit.

God's Grace -- Cooke  
by far the best -- excellent plan  
title search shd. go further back

Remembrance -- Cooke  
→ land grant 1773, NOT 1723. Shows in copy of deed attached.  
chain of title erroneous. Haile and Hyde owned Dimmit's Delight.  
Only Jenkins and George (m. Ellen Jenkins) owned the property  
through Wm. Armour Jenkins who tore down the homestead in 1905  
and built Remembrance.

[ Dawson House -- Aiello  
chain of title meaningless  
milestone is ordinary turnpike milestone  
poor plan ... erroneous interpretation ... basic construction  
not correctly identified -- orig. details not identified

Hartley House (Welsh) -- Aiello  
title meaningless  
mill not attached to house  
mislocated on map  
not brick

Dovecote Farm -- Rowse  
not located on Land of Promise, located on Gunpowder (or His  
Lordship's) Manor. It is just on the line. Land once owned by  
Wilson family who also owned or built Yoder Farm. Log part  
may have been Wilson house.

Ambrose House -- Rowse  
badly mislocated on map  
plan good  
shd. mention former blacksmith shop on prop.

Brinton Woods -- Rowse  
small wing, hardly mentioned, has chance of being orig. portion  
plan might have explained unusual length

Shanklin's Store -- Rowse  
title shd. go back further than 1909  
date of constr. not proven

Denisch House -- Ellicott  
pretty fair job of hard house to do  
no record of Mennonites as early as 1830  
formerly Wilson land. On Land of Promise

Wilson Church -- Ellicott

church does not face Manor Rd.

originally grey, not white. All shutter hardware new. Doorway left of chancel not new (was door for coffins to cem.)

basement dug to install furnace after day of wood stoves  
chain of title is for rental house, not church

Glen Arm Station -- MacNeish

automatic signal was not at station, but at Watchbox Hill blind crossing  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile north

plan OK

Glen Arm School -- MacNeish

OK. Inside plan of schoolhouse wd. have been interesting.

Some of these errors are common ones and quoted by owners. Understandable for student to take on faith. Also understandable why titles often confused by those who don't know names and lands of area.

Am sure I cd. not have done better, or in some cases as well. Wollon & Haile are both sticklers. Anyway, thanks again. Best,

*Gulie*

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JANUARY 1954  
1954



MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
21 STATE CIRCLE  
SHAW HOUSE  
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET  
Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: BA 2108

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:

Zone/Easting/Northing

19 / 371265 / 4367450

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

PRESENT FORMAL NAME: Ward Dawson

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME: None

PRESENT USE: Residential

ORIGINAL USE: Tavern and inn

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent (X) Good ( )

Fair ( ) Poor: ( )

THEME:

STYLE:

DATE BUILT: c. 1825-1830

COUNTY: Baltimore

TOWN: Glen Arm

LOCATION:

COMMON NAME: Ward Dawson House

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Residential

OWNER: Ward Dawson

ADDRESS: Long Green Pike

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:

Yes ( ) No ( ) Restricted (X)

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Local (X) State ( ) National ( )

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

1. Foundation: Stone (X) Brick ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
2. Wall Structure
  - A. Wood Frame: Post and Beam (X) Balloon ( )
  - B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick ( ) Stone ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
  - C. Iron ( ) D. Steel ( ) E. Other:
3. Wall Covering: Clapboard (X) Board and Batten (X) Wood Shingle ( ) Shiplap ( )  
Novelty ( ) Stucco ( ) Sheet Metal ( ) Aluminum ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( )  
Brick Veneer ( ) Stone Veneer ( )  
Bonding Pattern: Other:
4. Roof Structure
  - A. Truss: Wood (X) Iron ( ) Steel ( ) Concrete ( )
  - B. Other:
5. Roof Covering: Slate ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Asphalt Shingle (X) Sheet Metal ( )  
Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other:
6. Engineering Structure:
7. Other:

Appendages: Porches (X) Towers ( ) Cupolas ( ) Dormers ( ) Chimneys (X) Sheds (X) Ells (X)  
Wings (X) Other:

Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip ( ) Shed ( ) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Bellcast ( ) With Parapet ( ) With False Front ( )  
Other:

Number of Stories: 2

Number of Bays: 3

Approximate Dimensions: 50' x 80'

Entrance Location: west facade

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

No Threat ( ) Zoning ( ) Roads (X)

Development ( ) Deterioration ( )

Alteration ( ) Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:

Positive (X) Negative ( )

Mixed ( ) Other:

## ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

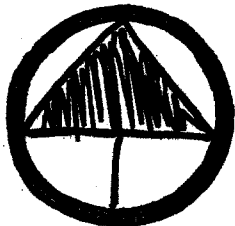
## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

THE WARD DAWSON HAS A TWO FOLD SIGNIFICANCE. IT HAS AN ARCHITECTURAL ~~AND~~ AND HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE. THIS LOG HOUSE <sup>IS THE</sup> REMAINS OF AN INN AND TAVERN THAT SERVED BALTO. CO. FROM 1840 TO ABOUT 1870. THE ORIGINAL BEAM IN THE WALLS AND CEILINGS STILL SUPPORT THIS STRUCTURE. THE BALLOON FRAMING CAN BE SEEN IN THE ATTIC OF THE HOUSE, EACH POST IS NUMBERED.

THERE IS A HISTORIC LANDMARK ONLY 100 YARDS <sup>(SOUTH)</sup> FROM THE HOUSE, IT IS A-MARKER THAT SAYS 13 MILES TO BALTIMORE. THIS WAS PLACED AT THIS SITE SINCE THE HOUSE WAS ONCE A TAVERN AND INN AND CUSTOMERS COULD HAVE A LANDMARK FOR TRAVEL. THIS MARKER CAN STILL BE SEEN FROM THE ROAD, IT IS EIGHT FEET OFF THE ROAD.

## REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



## SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane( ) Woodland( ) Scattered Buildings( )  
 Moderately Built Up( ) Densely Built Up( )  
 Residential( ☒ ) Commercial( )  
 Agricultural( ) Industrial( )  
 Roadside Strip Development( )  
 Other:

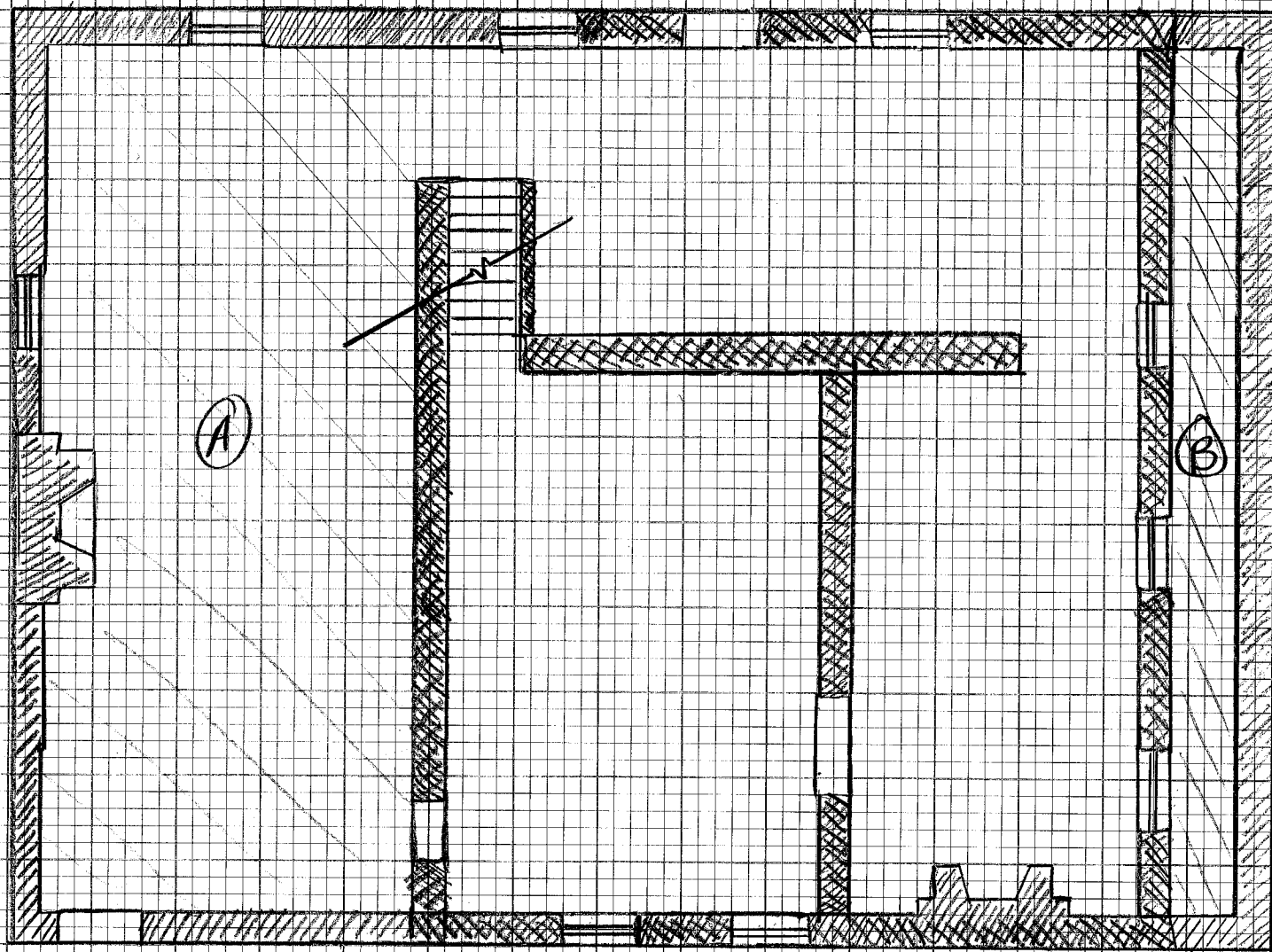
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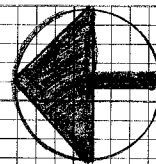
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EAST

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1/2 boxes = 1 ft.



WARD DAWSON HOUSE  
GLEN ARM, MARYLAND

CYNTHIA A. AIELLO

BA#

(B) ≠ (A) An additional wing; not part of the original plan  
 - Log construction

WEST

4371

Jenkins

495

Long Green  
Station

Gitings

4369

492

BM 308

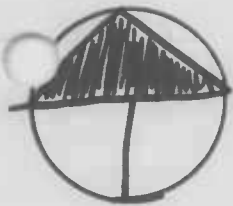
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ZONE/EASTING/NORTHING

18/371265/4367450

27'30"



Glen Arm

"BA-2108"  
WARD DAWSON HOUSE

4367

5662 / NE  
(TOWSON)

4366

Waugh Church

Greenwood

Sweethouse

HARFORD

GUN